

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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Ed Hale, Treasurer Ben Cardin for Senate P.O. Box 21093 Catonsville, MD 21228

Response Due Date: February 9, 2007

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Reference:

30 Day Post-General Report (10/19/06 - 11/27/06)

Dear Mr. Hale:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. An adequate response must be received at the Senate Public Records Office by the response date noted above. An itemization of the information needed follows:

-Column B figures for the Summary and Detailed Summary Page information should equal the sum of the Column B figures on your previous report and the Column A figures on this report minus the Column C figures. Please file an amendment to your report to correct the Column B discrepancies for Lines 6(a), 6(c), 7(a), 7(c), 11(a)(iii), 11(c), 11(e), 16, 17, 22 and all subsequent report(s) that may be affected by this correction. Note that Column B should reflect only the election cycle-to-date totals. (2 U.S.C. §434(b))

-A review of your itemized receipts indicates a discrepancy in your aggregate election cycle-to-date totals for the United Food & Comm. Workers Int'l Union Ballot Club. The reported aggregate totals on your report should include all contributions from an individual or committee given in the election cycle. Please review your procedures for compliance with this requirement and amend your report(s) as necessary. (11 CFR §104.3(a)(3))

-Schedule A supporting Line 12 of the Detailed Summary Page discloses a transfer from a joint fundraising committee, the Committee for a Better Future. However, the sum of memo Schedules A supporting this entry is less than the amount transferred. Please note that the sum of memo